

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

SHANTEL MCCOY,
 Plaintiff(s),
 v.
 CLARK COUNTY,
 Defendant(s).

Case No.: 2:20-cv-01331-KJD-NJK

ORDER

[Docket No. 9]

Pending before the Court is the parties' joint proposed discovery plan. Docket No. 9. The presumptively reasonable discovery period is 180 days. Local Rule 26-1(b)(1).

The parties' joint proposed discovery plan suffers from several deficiencies.¹ First, it is unclear what discovery period the parties request. The parties initially propose "a discovery period of approximately nine months[.]" but later propose a discovery period of one year. Docket No. 9 at 1, 4. In addition, the parties' justification for special scheduling vaguely states that they request more time than is presumptively reasonable "due to the challenges related to COVID-19 and the holiday season." *Id.* at 1. The Court is sympathetic to the challenges of practicing law in the current environment. When a specific showing has been made that presumptively reasonable deadlines cannot be met in a particular case (e.g., because out-of-state depositions cannot move forward with travel or other restrictions), the Court has found good cause for extension. Here,

¹ As a threshold matter, the proposed discovery plan is untimely. The parties were required to file a joint proposed discovery plan no later than September 7, 2020. *See* Local Rule 26-1(a).

1 however, the parties fail to make a specific showing as to why the presumptively reasonable
2 discovery period of 180 days should not apply. Finally, the parties incorrectly calculate the
3 proposed deadlines. *See id.* at 4.

4 Accordingly, the joint proposed discovery plan is **DENIED** without prejudice. Docket No.
5 9. An amended discovery plan must be filed by October 9, 2020. To the extent special scheduling
6 review is sought therein, a specific showing must be made as to why the presumptively reasonable
7 deadlines should not apply, based on the particular circumstances of this case, and why the dates
8 requested are reasonable. Otherwise, the parties must include the default deadlines, properly
9 measured from July 24, 2020. *See* Local Rule 26-1(b)(1).

10 IT IS SO ORDERED.

11 Dated: October 5, 2020

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14 Nancy J. Koppe
15 United States Magistrate Judge
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